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SUBJECT: DFRT VIEWS ON IRIAN JAYA

1. POST COURIER APRIL 11TH CARRIED LETTER TO EDITOR ALLEGEDLY COMING FROM IRIAN JAYA. WRITER SAID NEW GUINEA "CAN AND SHOULD" BE ONE BIG NATION, INSTEAD OF BEING DIVIDED. SAID THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN IRIAN JAYA AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA WAS MADE BY OUTSIDERS FOR OWN BENEFITS. SAID "YOU ARE FACING INDEPENDENCE. WE ARE IN PRISON".

2. SIADURA, DFRT, EXPRESSED OPINION TO ME APRIL 15 THAT THREE OR FOUR YEARS AGO LETTER SUCH AS THIS WOULD HAVE AROUSED ENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE. NOW, HOWEVER, HE SAID, LEADERS OF GPNG RECOGNIZE THE REALITIES: IRIAN JAYA BELONGS TO INDONESIA, AND THE INDONESIANS HAVE NO INTENTION OF GIVING IT UP.

3. SIAGURA SAID LETTER WAS PROBABLY WRITTEN BY IRIANESE REFUGEE IN PNG. HE SAID DFRT AND PARTICULARLY FONMIN KIKI, HAD SPENT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME AND EFFORT ON THE REFUGEE PROBLEM. DFRT HAD HOPE REFUGEES WOULD GO BACK TO IRIAN JAYA BUT, AS RESULT OF MEETINGS HELD SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, IT WAS CLEAR THAT GOI WOULD NOT EXTEND TERMS FOR RETURN WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO REFUGEES. SIAGURA EXPECTS REFUGEES WILL

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TAKE OUT PNG CITIZENSHIP AFTER INDEPENDENCE AND SETTLE

DOWN HERE.

4. HE SAID VERY FEW REFUGEES ARE NOW COMIN BORDER.

5. SIAGURA COMMENTED GOI SEEMS TO FIND PNG DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND. SAID INDONESIANS HAD EXPRESSED GREAT PUZZLEMENT THAT GPNG PERMITTED A SENIOR PUBLIC SERVANT, SIMON KAUM, TO MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENTS CALLING FOR OVERTHROW OF GOVERNMENT. I ASKED HIM IF GOI WAS INTERESTED IN PAPUA BESENA MOVEMENT. HE REPLIED "VERY MUCH SO" AND WENT OFF ON TANGENT.

6. COMMENT: DOUGLAS LOCKWOOD, EDITOR OF POST COURIER, SAID FIVE DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF LETTER REFERRED TO IN PARA ONE THAT HE HAD RECEIVED NO COMMENTS AND NO REACTION. SAID LETTER HAD BEEN RECEIVED IN TYPEWRITTEN FORM, WITH A FEW GRAMMATICAL ERRORS WHICH WERE CORRECTED, BUT OTHERWISE HAD BEEN PRINTED AS RECEIVED.

7. SIAGURAS COMMENTS SEEM TO CONFIRM ROEDJITOS STATEMENTS TO ME (PORT MORESBY 333) THAT A DETERMINED EFFORT HAD BEEN MADE TO PERSUADE THE REFUGEES TO RETURN, BUT THE EFFORTS HAD BEEN UNAVAILING. SIAGURA SEEMED MORE RECONCILED THAN ROEDJITO TO THE THOUGHT THAT THE REFUGEES WOULD REMAIN IN PNG.

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